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## SUPPLEMENTAL AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MS Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

## **INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

This is a supplemental response to the non-final office action dated May 1, 2007 (for which a response was filed on August 3, 2007), a telephonic interview with the Examiner on July 26, 2007, and a personal interview with the Examiner on October 18, 2007. During the personal interview the Examiner indicated he had not yet acted on the response filed on August 3, 2007. Accordingly, entry of this supplemental amendment is respectfully requested. Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims is respectfully requested.

The pending Claims are listed beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.